

Wedding FAQs

Qualifying

There are specific requirements that must be met for someone to be married in a Church of England Parish Church.

If you live within the parish boundary or worship here regularly you have the automatic right to get married here. If neither of these applies there are still other ways of qualifying and we would be happy to talk to you about these.

Banns

Once you qualify to be married you need to have your banns read. This is the public announcement of the marriage and they have to be read in the parish where you are to be married as well as the parish in which you are resident (there will be a fee in both cases). They are called on three consecutive Sundays and are valid for three months.

Rehearsals

These will take place by arrangement.

Special Requirements

The church is equipped with radio microphones and loop system and access for the congregation is on the level. There are toilet facilities for the disabled and able-bodied. We will do our best to accommodate other special requirements, such as playing recorded music for accommodating guests to sing.

Fees

A non-returnable deposit (£100) must be paid when the church is booked and the fees must be paid, in full by cheque or cash, at least four weeks before the date of the wedding. The list of fees given below is provided for guidance.

Please consult the clergy or Wardens to verify the current fees.

The fees are revised annually.

The Statutory/Local Fee for 2019 is £657.

There are optional extras such as use of organ/organist (£145), choir (£120) and ringing of bells which can be discussed by the vicar on request.

Note: It is important that you let us know immediately if your plans or contact details change.

Photographs and videos

Only the official photographer may take photographs during the service, subject to direction, but guests may photograph the Bride and Groom returning down the aisle.

Family and friends should note that photographs which include children must only be taken with the consent of their parents.

Video recordings are not encouraged, but in the case of a recording being made a charge of £100 is made for professional fees in accordance with RSCM guidelines. **The videographer will be bound by the same restrictions as the photographer for the whole of the ceremony.** Videographers will need to sign a disclaimer for copyright and DBS purposes.

Flowers

We ask you to pay a contribution towards the flowers (included in the Fees) which are in Church, except during Advent and Lent. Additional flowers may be arranged by yourself but first please contact Lorraine Basford (see Contacts Page) to arrange for the opening of the Church.

Practicalities

Confetti should only be thrown outside in the drive by the Lych Gate please.

It is also important that ALL mobile phones are switched off during the service. Please advise your guests of this and also make sure that your own mobile is switched off.

Car Parking

There is Car Parking for 36 Vehicles along the church drive, and there is also space for more in adjacent streets. For directions to the Church and details of disabled access, please check the Find Us page on the website.